(*c*) is there any in-patient accommodation in the Hospital at present;

(*d*) is the building Government-owned or rented;

(*e*) how many Veterinary Hospitals there are in the State, which have got in-patient accommodation;

(*f*) what is the average attendance per year for the last 3 years in the Hospitals in which in-patient accommodation has been provided for?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** (*Minister for Rural Development*): (*a*) In the year 1110.

(*b*)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| In 1111 | = | 1506 |
| In 1112 | = | 1501 |
| In 1113 | = | 1377 |
| | | 4384 |
| Average No. of cases per annum | | 1461·3 |

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Rented building.

(*e*) In-patient accommodation is available only in the 3 Hospitals at Ernakulam, Trichur and Tattamangalam; but very urgent and unavoidable cases are kept in the waiting shed of some of the other Hospitals to be treated as in-patients.

(*f*) Average attendance per year for the last 3 years—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Veterinary Hospital, | Ernakulam | .... | 2578·66 |
| Do. | Trichur | .... | 6683·00 |
| Do. | Tattamangalam | .... | 4041·66 |

**HORTICULTURE SCHOOLS—PROSPECTS OF THOSE TRAINED IN.**

**304. Mr. C. V. Iyyu** (*Kunnamkulam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there are schools of Horticulture in the State;

(*b*) if answer for (*a*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to inform—

(*i*) the number of such schools;

(*ii*) qualifications, literary and technical for the instructors of these schools;

(*iii*) the salary each are given;

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(*iv*) the number of boys in each class undergoing instruction;

(*v*) the prospects of these boys in future for taking up this study?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** (*Minister for Rural Development*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (*i*) Three.

(*ii*) School Final and training in Agriculture at the Central Farm.

(*iii*) All are in the grade Rs. 20—1—35.

(*iv*)

| *Name of School.* | *Strength.* Senior class. | Junior class. |
|---|---|---|
| Horticultural School Central Farm | 18 | 18 |
| Do. Trichur | 17 | 19 |
| Do. Hill Palace | 17 | 20 |

(*v*) With a preliminary knowledge in scientific Agriculture, the boys will be able to do some improvements in their own lands and take up private farming. A very limited number is now and then engaged as casual labourers in the public gardens and also given opportunities to act as gardeners when the permanent gardeners go on leave. They can also expect employment under big land-owners and agriculturists. They can cultivate vegetables for the market and raise ornamental plants for sale.

## KACHITHODE AND PANANCHAKOTHI CHIRAS—OLLUKKARA PANCHAYAT—MAINTENANCE OF.

**305. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan** (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) with whom was the work of maintenance of the Kachithode chira entrusted by the Ollukkara Panchayat in 1113;

(*b*) when was the auction conducted and by whom;

(*c*) the amount spent by the Ollukkara Panchayat towards the maintenance of the Pananchakothi chira;

(*d*) with whom was the work entrusted in 1113?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** (*Minister for Rural Development*):

(*a*) and (*b*) The right of maintenance of this chira for 1114 was auctioned by the President, Ollukkara Panchayat at 11 A. M. on 15th Edavam 1113. Mr. Madambikattil Mamunny Sankaran bid it for Rs. 34—12—0 *i. e.* only 4 as. less than the sanctioned allotment for the work. He was the maintenance

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